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DEPUTY DIRECTOR NAMED IN COMMISSION OFFICE OF ENERGY PROJECTS

Chairman James J. Hoecker today announced the appointment of William C. Lansinger, Jr. as Deputy Director in the Office of Energy Projects (OEP).

Mr. Lansinger will assist OEP Director Daniel M. Adamson in providing leadership and vision in managing the Commission's environmental and engineering work on interstate natural gas pipeline construction certification, hydropower licensing, and dam safety.

Chairman Hoecker commented: "This is an important position. Created as part of our FERC First reengineering effort, I have charged OEP with the task of establishing the best possible track record in certificating and licensing energy projects. We are fortunate to have someone of Bill Lansinger's unquestioned qualifications contributing his talent and expertise to OEP in its formative years."

Mr. Lansinger had been Senior Policy Advisor to Chairman Hoecker since November 1997, responsible for advising the Chairman on natural gas and hydroelectric issues. He also played a central role in implementing FERC First.

Prior to joining Chairman Hoecker's staff, Mr. Lansinger was Deputy Director, Division of Pipeline Certificates.

From January 1994 to June 1997, he was Policy Advisor to Chair Elizabeth A. Moler.

Before joining Chair Moler's staff, he worked in the Office of Pipeline and Producer Regulation in various capacities for some 15 years.

He received a B.S. degree in Mineral Economics from Pennsylvania State University.

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